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Gableman Grift Must Be Put to an End

Madison, WI – Today, Assembly Speaker Robin Vos (R-Rochester) signed a new contract with Former Justice Michael Gableman to extend his review of the 2020 November election. This extension follows Gableman's original contract that expired on December 31, 2021. Senator Melissa Agard (D-Madison) released the following statement:

"After Former Justice Gableman presented his embarrassing sham of an investigation to the Assembly Committee on Campaigns and Elections last week, I had sincerely hoped that we put the conspiracies regarding the November 2020 election to rest.

"This extension from Speaker Vos is outrageous and a gross abuse of taxpayer dollars. Instead of using these funds to invest in and better our state, Republicans continue to fund conspiracy theories and harmful rhetoric with taxpayer dollars. Over half a million taxpayer dollars have cushioned Gableman's pockets for the last eight months, and the GOP is inciting this corruption.

"Do the right-wing extremists realize that their taxpayer dollars are quite literally paying for Gableman's Costco membership, Netflix subscriptions, and Uber rides? We know from <u>recent records</u> that Gableman is grifting Wisconsinites in the name of an election investigation. This abuse is disgusting and cannot continue.

"I am calling on Former Justice Gableman to pay back the taxpayers of Wisconsin for these frivolous expenses and stop stealing from us."

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